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2. In the event of the promulgation of universal military service in the GDR, East Berliners will not be inducted. A decree was recently issued prohibiting citizens of the GDR from taking up residence in Berlin. [REDACTED] taken in order to prevent GDR citizens from evading their [REDACTED] serve in the new national army. East Berliners will [REDACTED] given an opportunity to join the East German national [REDACTED] steers.
3. A member of the Soviet Embassy in East Berlin stated that the promulgation of universal military service in the GDR would mean the loss of an effective propaganda weapon against the rearmament of West Germany. This was, however, of little importance in view of the situation arising after the ratification of the Paris agreements. The Soviet diplomat said that the question of universal military service for East Germany was left in abeyance pending the implementation of the Paris Agreements. [REDACTED] were the military experts [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] Leningrad [REDACTED] ed [REDACTED]
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4. [REDACTED] Paulus [REDACTED] representatives [REDACTED] Bloc countries that numerous former German soldiers from West Germany who had been in Soviet captivity and who had signed an obligation never again to fight against the USSR had asked him for advice about what to do in the case they were inducted into the planned West Germany army.

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5. After the conclusion of a conference in Karlsbad, the military experts visited [REDACTED] at Pilsen and various centers of the armament industry in the USSR.

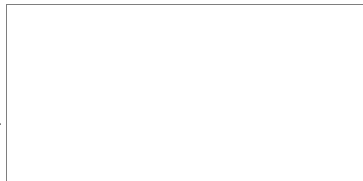


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4. Ex-Field Marshal Paulus reported to military representatives of Eastern Bloc countries that numerous former German soldiers from West Germany who had been in Soviet captivity and who had signed an obligation never again to fight against the USSR had asked him for advice about what to do in the case they were inducted into the planned West German army.

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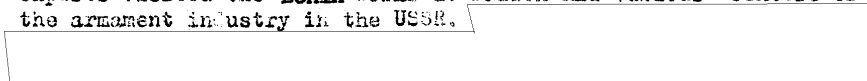
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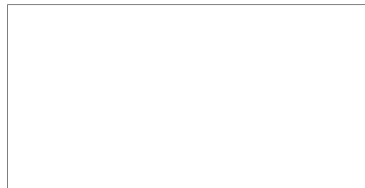
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